

THE
NORTH ROANOKE
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
of
NORTH CAROLINA



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PROCEEDINGS
of the
Spring Organizational Session
of the
NORTH ROANOKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ENFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Enfield, North Carolina

Tuesday, May 3, 1955



The following Messengers and Visitors registered at the Organizational Meeting of the North Roanoke Baptist Association:
ANTIOCH—Rev. Elwood A. Cline, Mrs. S. E. Hardee, Mrs. W. E. Powell.

AVALON—Rev. R. V. Thomas, Clarence Freeman, W. C. Warbritton.

BATTLEBORO—Rev. H. S. Yarborough, Tom Pollard, Theodore A. Chadwick.

COMMUNITY CENTER—Rev. Rudolph Evans, I. E. Jones, W. I. Robertson.

CORINTH—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chappell.

DARLINGTON—Rev. Raymond Britton, Leonard Hux, S. C. Roberson.

DAWSON—Rev. Yates W. Campbell, L. G. Barnhill, Mrs. Undine W. Barnhill, E. R. Weeks.

EBENEZER—Rev. Clyde L. Fox, Mrs. Gaskill Anderson, Dixon V. Talbert.

ELM GROVE—Rev. Charles O. Jenkins, Mrs. Roy A. Cooper, Q. J. Hendricks, Mrs. James Whitley, Mrs. J. E. Tunnell, Jean Vanhook.

- ENFIELD—Rev. J. Felix Arnold, T. O. Hickman, R. H. Ladd, R. Hunter Pope, W. R. Walker, Mrs. R. E. Shervette, Jr., Harvey H. Yates, A. P. Coltrain, Mrs. William Neville, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bellamy, Mrs. L. L. Allen, Mrs. I. D. Wood, Sr., Mrs. William Dickens, Harry Branch, Mrs. Cicero Williams, Miss Mary Braswell, Mrs. W. H. Herbert, Mrs. Stella Broach, Mrs. W. B. Burchett, Mrs. Allen Whitley, Mrs. D. B. Barnes.
- GASTON—Rev. Dan Jolly, Mrs. Dorothy Faison, Joseph L. Owen, Mrs. Helen Rook, Mrs. Emily Smith, Mrs. Jesse Wheeler, Alton Harris.
- GETHSEMANE—Rev. Clyde F. Fox, Mrs. Lena Blalock, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Pittman.
- HALIFAX—Rev. Yates W. Campbell, Charles H. Boykin, Mrs. Jessie B. Whitehead.
- HICKORY—Rev. Donald E. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hux, Mrs. O. J. Smith.
- HOBGOOD—Rev. Grady J. Haynes, G. E. Judge, R. T. Purvis.
- JOHNSON TABERNACLE—Rev. Joe R. Puette, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Medley, Mrs. C. R. Tyson, Miss Jonnie Belle Bowden.
- MACEDONIA—No registration — two Messengers present at Roll Call.
- MOMEYER—Rev. J. C. Brooks, five Messengers were present, but failed to register.
- MOUNT HERMON—Rev. J. W. Hunsucker.
- NASHVILLE—Rev. G. Durham Ipock, Mrs. T. R. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Willard C. Inscoe, Mrs. J. A. Leonard, Mrs. C. F. Williams.
- OAKDALE—Rev. Alfred F. Gibson, Lonnie R. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Claud B. Daughtridge, Mrs. L. P. Ezzell, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bailey, Jr., Billy Bailey.
- OAK LEVEL—G. A. Taylor, W. H. Culpepper, C. E. Bell.
- PROCTOR'S CHAPEL—Rev. E. D. Flowers, Jr., Mrs. E. D. Flowers, Jr., Mrs. P. D. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lancaster, U. Daughtridge.
- QUANKEY—Rev. Daniel Hux, Mrs. Woodrow Jenkins, S. H. Harrell, Mrs. Sarah M. Hux, Mrs. B. C. Pair, Mrs. L. B. Keener,
- RED OAK—Rev. Tommy Garrett, McAdoo M. Moore.
Mrs. Walter Hux, Mrs. Dorothy K. Harrell.
- ROANOKE RAPIDS:
CALVARY—Mrs. Ida Brown, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Goodfellow,
R. D. Baird, Mrs. C. A. Goodfellow.

CHOCKOYOTTE—Rev. James E. Daughtry, W. S. Merritt, Mrs. Fleetwood Rawls, Mrs. Rachel Merritt, Mrs. J. C. Morris.

FIRST—Rev. Gordon L. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy W. Morris, Miss Louise King, Mr. and Mrs. John R. King, Mr. and Mrs. Boyce T. Cagle.

ROSEMARY—Rev. B. Marshall White-Hurst, Virgil E. McDowell, Sr., Uriel Powell, George F. Pappendick, Miss Christine Bush, Mrs. W. H. Butler, C. W. Wheeler, Mrs. P. A. Cook, Miss Patricia Cooper.

ROCKY MOUNT:

ARLINGTON STREET—Rev. H. C. Lowder, Mrs. R. C. Chason, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Andrews, A. E. Bulluck, James F. Bulluck, G. T. Davenport, Mrs. Raymond Pate, Jr.

CALVARY—Rev. J. N. Stancil, J. W. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Shearin, Mrs. J. E. Brigman.

EDGEMONT—Rev. Billy T. Mobley, M. K. Mobley, C. R. Gay.

FIRST—Mr. and Mrs. Hiram J. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Shaw, C. E. Privott, Mrs. Earl Privott, E. E. Murchison, Mrs. Edgar Joyner, John E. Garris, Miss Dot Hunning, Rev. G. N. Cowan, Mrs. J. R. Chambliss.

NORTH—Rev. R. Hayne Rivers, M. L. Clack, T. R. Dabbs, H. R. Griffin, E. C. Godwin, W. H. Pittman, G. C. Reid, J. T. Braswell, J. H. Orr, Bobby Madon, D. H. Rackley, W. C. Davis.

OAK VIEW—Rev. F. L. Pollard, M. D. Bryan, Eugene Lamb, B. F. Proctor, Jr., Gennie Mills, W. Roy Weaver, Robert L. Williams.

SOUTHSIDE—Rev. W. C. Barham, J. O. Hardy, Brantley E. Layton, Curtis R. Todd.

SWELTON HEIGHTS—Rev. Ernest Howell, Rossie Bradford, W. C. Lancaster, M. L. Pridgen.

SALEM—Rev. B. E. Berry, Jr., F. W. Dozier, J. M. Skinner, Julian H. Massengale.

SCOTLAND NECK—Rev. W. D. Morris, Bernard Allsbrook, L. L. Cherry, D. E. Josey, Mrs. Leland Kitchen, Sr., Forrest B. Shearin, Mrs. O'dell Bunting, J. W. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. House.

SHARPSBURG—Rev. Tom W. White, Robert I. Robbins, John W. Price, Wayne Cressman, Mrs. Tom White, Marvin E. Viverette.

SPRING HOPE—Dr. James H. Blackmore, Mrs. F. D. Bissette,

- Mrs. P. N. Collie, Rex O. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Morgan,
Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Beddingfield, Jr., Mrs. O. B. Baines.
- STANHOPE—Rev. J. W. Hunsucker, B. R. Bissett, P. B. Lamm.
- STONEY CREEK—Rev. Aubrey Quakenbush, R. S. Brown, John
Griffin, Sr., Mrs. John I. Brake, Mrs. George Ellen.
- TILLERY—H. N. Roebuck, T. F. Savage.
- TURKEY BRANCH—Raymond Hardee, Mrs. Dorothy S. Moore,
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sexton.
- UNION—Johnie E. Davis, Chas. H. Johnson.
- WELDON—Rev. E. W. Glass, Grover Howell, N. J. Shepherd, Mrs.
S. W. Neal, Miss Pearle Harris, Mrs. N. S. Barnes.
- WEST EDGECOMBE—Rev. M. A. Pegram, W. Donley Joy-
ner, Henry L. Brake, D. A. Calhoun, William Lynch.
- WHITAKERS—Rev. Donald E. Cook, Curtis Crissman, Miss
Louise Marks, Mrs. W. O. Rosser, Sr., Miss Pennie Armstrong,
Mrs. C. G. Martin, Mrs. J. W. Copeland, Mrs. J. W. Reid, Mrs.
J. F. Whitley, Mrs. C. E. Hines, Mrs. J. J. Kulutas.

Dennis H. Holliday,
Acting Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS

1. On Tuesday, May 3, 1955, at 7:30 p.m., the Organizational Meeting of the North Roanoke Baptist Association, was held in the Enfield Baptist Church, Enfield, North Carolina, under the direction of the Moderator of the Roanoke Baptist Association, Rev. E. W. Holmes, of Farmville. The opening hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name," was sung with Mrs. R. Hunter Pope, organist of the host church, presiding at the organ.

2. Rev. Daniel H. Jolly, Gaston, read from the 4th Chapter, II Timothy, after which he offered prayer.

3. Roll Call of Churches. All forty-eight (48) churches in the North Roanoke Area answered to the roll call, and one church, Quankey, requested membership in the new association, bringing the total number of churches represented to forty-nine (49). A total of one hundred sixty-three messengers were present. (The Quankey Baptist Church has during its history belonged to the Tar River Association.)

4. A motion by Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Enfield, that the proposed Program be adopted as the Order of Business, was adopted for the meeting.

Program 7:30 p.m.

WORSHIP:

Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" No. 133
Scripture and Prayer, Rev. Daniel Jolly.

ORGANIZATION:

Roll Call of Churches.
Order of Business, Rev. J. Felix Arnold.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF FIVE:

- (1) Introduction to Report, by the Chairman
- (2) Constitution and By-Laws, Dr. James H. Blackmore
- (3) Missionary Program and Personnel, and
- (4) Inventory and Distribution of Property, D. E. Josey
- (5) Proposed Budget, Grover Howell
- (6) Time and Place of First Meeting, Mrs. J. R. Chambliss.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE, Rev. H. C. Lowder, Chairman

OUR MISSIONARY CHALLENGE:

Rev. L. Grady Burgiss
Miss Hilda Mayo

WORSHIP:

Hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" No. 108
Offertory Prayer (Rev. Mr. Holmes) and Offering

ADDRESS: The Rev. Ben C. Fisher, Southeastern Baptist Seminary,
Wake Forest, N. C.

CLOSING:

Hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal" No. 210

Benediction (By Moderator-Elect) and Adjourn

5. Rev. Grady J. Haynes, Hobgood, made a motion that in the interest of time each speaker be limited to two (2) minutes, and that that time be extended only by the vote of the body assembled. The motion was adopted.

6. J. Felix Arnold made a brief report on the work of the Committee of Five, in which he expressed his appreciation for the excellent work and the cooperation of the members of this Committee. Members of the Committee of Five are: J. Felix Arnold, Chairman, Dr. James H. Blackmore, Spring Hope, Secretary, Mrs. J. R. Chambliss, Rocky Mount, Grover Howell, Weldon, and Danford E. Josey, Scotland Neck.

7. Report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was presented by Dr. James H. Blackmore. Rev. Daniel H. Jolly, made a motion that the Constitution be voted on by paragraph. The motion was adopted. Article 16, By-Laws, provoked some discussion. Those speaking for or clarifying the meaning or intent of this article were: J. Felix Arnold, Rev. W. D. Morris, Scotland Neck, and Mrs. Lealand Kitchen, Sr., Scotland Neck. The substance of the discussion was that this Article is intended to eliminate much duplication of work on the part of the Executive Committee and the Baptist Builders Club, many of whom serve on both committees, and also to give to the Builders Club Committee more freedom to act on requests for aid. A motion by Dr. Blackmore, that the Constitution and By-Laws be adopted in its entirety, was carried.

8. Report on the "Missionary Program and Personnel" was presented by Danford E. Josey as follows: "Your Committee of Five recommends that we continue in our new association to emphasize with vigor primary missions, that is the winning of the lost to Christ and the establishment of new Baptist Churches and to promote and present the teaching and training program within the churches. As a committee, we do not have the authority to employ missionary personnel, but we recommend that the Executive Committee undertake immediately to secure and employ suitable personnel to initiate and direct this program." This report was adopted.

9. Mr. Danford E. Josey also gave the report on the "Inventory and Disposition of Property" as follows:

Inventory And Disposition of Property

1. INVENTORY OF PROPERTY:

(1) House Trailer	\$1,970.00
(2) Projector and Visual Aids	200.00
(3) Tent	600.00
(4) Tent Equipment	600.00
(5) Addressing Machine (Weber)	50.00
(6) Filing Cabinets and Files	50.00
(7) Typewriter (14 in. Remington)	100.00
(8) Mimeograph and Supplies	100.00

2. RECOMMENDATION FOR DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY:

(In consultation with Committee of Five of Southern Area.)

(1) *To the Southern Area:*

- a. Tent and Tent Equipment, valued at about \$1,200.00
- b. House Trailer, valued at about 1,970.00
(This trailer would be acquired upon the payment by the Southern area to the Northern Area of the sum of \$1,000.00.)

(2) *To the Northern Area:*

- a. Projector and Visual Aids Equipment, @ \$ 200.00
- b. Addressing Machine, valued at about 50.00
- c. Filing Cabinets and Files
- d. Typewriter, (14 in. Remington) 100.00
- e. Mimeograph, (No. 77, Model "A") & Splys. 100.00
- f. Payment to be paid by the Southern Area 1,000.00

3. PROPOSED METHOD OF SETTLEMENT:

- (1) It is recommended that the "South Roanoke" Baptist Association shall on October 15, 1955, pay to the "North Roanoke" Baptist Association 25% of the \$1,000.00, i.e., \$250.00; on October 15, 1956, \$150.00, and a like sum on each October 15 thereafter until the balance of the \$1,000.00 is paid. This obligation is not to bear interest.
- (2) It is recommended further that funds on hand as of October 11, 1955, in the hands of the Treasurer, and/or Trustees of the Roanoke Baptist Association shall be divided equally between the two new Associations.
- (3) The two Committees of Five recognize that this distribution of property does not represent an equal division, but this manner of distribution is favored for the strengthening of the work in the "South Roanoke" Baptist Association.

This report was adopted.

10. The "Proposed Budget Report" was presented by Grover Howell as follows:

Proposed Budget

I. ESTIMATED REVENUE:

1. Mission Funds from Churches @ 80¢ per Resident Member	\$9,000.00
2. From "South Roanoke" Anns., 1st Payment on trailer	250.00
Total Estimated Revenue	\$9,250.00

II. ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:

1. Administration:

(1) Missionary's Salary	\$4,200.00
(2) Retirement	160.00
(3) Car Allowance, 7¢ per mile	1,000.00
(4) Convention Expenses, (Missionary)	200.00
(5) Rent, Missionary's Home	750.00
(6) Office Expenses	400.00
(7) Summer Help	500.00

Total Administrative	\$7,210.00
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2. Promotional:

(1) Sunday School	\$ 100.00
(2) Training Union	75.00
(3) Brotherhood	40.00
(4) Moderator's Expenses	60.00
(5) Builder's Club	150.00
(6) Chairman of Evangelism Expenses	75.00

Total Promotional	500.00
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3. Minutes and Miscellaneous:

(1) Clerk's Remuneration	100.00
(2) Printing Minutes	450.00
(3) Treasurer's Remuneration	100.00
(4) Contingency	250.00

Total Miscellaneous	900.00
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4. Reserve for New Equipment	640.00
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Total Estimated Expenditures	\$9,250.00
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) We recommend to the new Association that the Churches be asked to contribute to the Associational Mission Program in the amount of 80¢ per resident member per annum.
- (2) We recommend further that the expense of printing the Associational Minutes be paid out of the General Associational Funds, as provided above, and that the churches no longer be asked to contribute separately for the printed Minutes. And we recommend also that the number of copies of the

printed Minutes be eight for each Church up to 200 resident members, and three additional copies for each additional 100 resident members, the total number of copies for any church not to exceed fifty.

This report was adopted.

1. Report on "Time and Place" was made by Mrs. J. R. Chambliss. The recommendation of the Committee that the first meeting of the North Roanoke Baptist Association be held with the Rosemary Baptist Church, Roanoke Rapids, October 12, 1955, was adopted.

12. Rev. H. C. Lowder, Rocky Mount, made the report for the Nominating Committee as follows:

Officers

MODERATOR	W. D. Morris, Scotland Neck
VICE-MODERATOR	D. H. Holliday, Enfield
CLERK	Rev. Clarence Godwin, Rocky Mount
AUDITOR	George Lewis, Rocky Mount
TREASURER	Forrest Shearin, Scotland Neck
CHAIRMAN EVANGELISM	E. W. Glass, Weldon
BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENT	Virgil McDowell, Roanoke Rapids
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPT.	Rev. Felix Arnold, Enfield
DIRECTOR TRAINING UNION	Marvin Viverette, Rocky Mount
W. M. U. SUPERINTENDENT	Mrs. Edgar Joyner, Rocky Mount

Executive Committee

NASH: E. E. Murchison, Rocky Mount; Rev. G. Durham Ipock, Nashville; Curtiss Crissman, (At Large), Whitakers.

EDGEcombe: J. C. Whaley, (At Large), Rocky Mount; Rev. H. C. Lowder, Rocky Mount; E. T. Pittman, Whitakers.

HALIFAX: W. D. Harden, Scotland Neck; Edwin Branch, (At Large), Enfield; Rev. Marshall Whitehurst, Roanoke Rapids.

The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted.

13. Rev. L. Grady Burgess, Associational Missionary, made a very brief report in which he challenged the churches of the New Association to seize upon the wonderful new opportunity that is ours, and urged us to continue to give our whole-hearted support to our primary missions and education program.

14. Miss Hilda Mayo, Associational Director of Christian Education, requested the privilege of making her report in the fall meeting, because of the lateness of the hour.

15. An offering was taken during the singing of the hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." The amount of the offering was \$109.21.

16. The Rev. Ben C. Fisher, Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, was presented. He read some Scripture, offered a prayer, and brought to the new association greetings and congratulations. Because of the lateness of the hour Mr. Fisher did not deliver his address.

17. "Lead On, O King Eternal" was the closing hymn.

18. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. W. D. Morris, Moderator Elect.

Dennis H. Holliday,
Acting Clerk

PROCEEDINGS
of the
FIRST SESSION
of the
NORTH ROANOKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Wednesday, October 12, 1955 Meeting
with the
ROSEMARY BAPTIST CHURCH
ROANOKE RAPIDS, NORTH CAROLINA

Next Sessions

Spring Session, Stoney Creek Baptist Church, Rt. 3,
Rocky Mount, Tuesday April 17, 1956, Rev.
Worth Grant elected to deliver the
sermon.

Fall Session, First Baptist Church of Roanoke Rapids,
Tuesday, October 16, 1956, Rev. Douglas M.
Branch of Rocky Mount elected to
deliver the sermon

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

OFFICERS

W. D. Morris, Moderator	-----	Scotland Neck
D. H. Holliday, Vice Moderator	-----	Enfield
Clarence Godwin, Clerk	-----	Rocky Mount
George Lewis, Auditor	-----	Rocky Mount
Forrest G. Shearin, Treasurer	-----	Scotland Neck
E. W. Glass, Chairman of Evangelism	-----	Weldon
Virgil E. McDowell, Botherhood President	----	Roanoke Rapids
J. Felix Arnold, Sunday School Supt.	-----	Enfield
Marvin E. Viverette, Training Union Director	----	Rocky Mount
Mrs. Edgar Joyner, W. M. U. Supt.	-----	Rocky Mount

Missionary

Miss Hilda Mayo, 210 Villa St. ----- Rocky Mount

Committee of Five

Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Chairman	Enfield
D. E. Josey	Scotland Neck
Rev. James H. Blackmore	Spring Hope
Mrs. J. R. Chambliss	Rocky Mount
Grover Howell	Weldon

Builders' Club Committee

Mrs. L. H. Kitchin, Sr., Chairman	Scotland Neck
W. D. Hardin	Scotland Neck
Rev. Marshall Whitehurst	Roanoke Rapids
Rev. G. N. Cowan	Rocky Mount
Rev. Felix Arnold	Enfield
Rev. J. H. Blackmore	Spring Hope
Henry Jones	Red Oak

Woman's Missionary Union

Mrs. Edgar Joyner, Superintendent	Rocky Mount
Mrs. W D. Waters, Associate Supt.	Rocky Mount
Mrs. Raymond Pate, Secretary-Treasurer	Rocky Mount
Mrs. Alfred L. Stancil, Young People's Leader	Rocky Mount
Mrs. Hal Daniels, Y. W. A. Counselor	Weldon
Mrs. F. R. Wheeler, G. A. Counselor	Rocky Mount
Rev. J. C. Brooks, R. A. Counselor	Momeyer
Mrs. M. W. Johnson, Sunbeam Counselor	Rocky Mount
Mrs. L. H. Kitchin, Sr., Chairman of Missionary Fundamentals	Scotland Neck
Mrs. Roland T. Fountain, Mission Study Chmn.	Rocky Mount
Mrs. J. J. Priest, Community Missions Chmn.	Roanoke Rapids
Mrs. Paul Wilkins, Stewardship Chmn.	Rosky Mount
Mrs. Gordon L. Price, Prayer Chairman	Roanoke Rapids

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**NASH COUNTY**

E. E. Murchison	Rocky Mount
Rev. G. Durham Ipock	Nashville
Curtiss Crissman (At Large)	Whitakers

EDGECOMBE COUNTY

J. C. Whaley (At Large)	Rocky Mount
Rev. H. C. Lowder	Rocky Mount
E. T. Pittman	Whitakers

HALIFAX COUNTY

W. D. Harden	Scotland Neck
Edwin Branch (At Large)	Enfield
Rev. B. Marshall White-Hurst	Roanoke Rapids

Charter Churches In the North Roanoke Association

1. Antioch	May, coming from Tar River
2. Avalon	Asso).
3. Battleboro	27. Red Oak
4. Chockoyotte	ROANOKE RAPIDS
5. Community Center	28. Calvary
6. Corinth	29. First
7. Darlington	30. Rosemary
8. Dawson	ROCKY MOUNT
9. Ebenezer	31. Arlington St.
10. Elm Grove	32. Calvary
11. Enfield	33. Edgemont
12. Gaston	34. First
13. Gethsemane	35. North
14. Halifax	36. Southside
15. Hickory	37. Salem
16. Hobgood	38. Scotland Neck
17. Johnson's Tabernacle	39. Sharpsburg
18. Macedonia	40. Spring Hope
19. Momeyer	41. Stanhope
20. Mount Hermon	42. Stoney Creek
21. Nashville	43. Suelton Heights
22. Oakdale	44. Tillery
23. Oak Level	45. Turkey Branch
24. Oak View	46. Union
25. Proctor's Chapel	47. Weldon
26. Quankie (Made application in	48. West Edgecombe
	49. Whitakers

New Churches Expected To Make Application

1. Benvenue	3. Easonburg
2. Blandwood	4. Lakeside

**MESSENGERS AND VISITORS
REGISTERED AT THE FALL SESSION**

- ANTIOCH—Mrs. E. A. Cline, Mrs. Edward Tippet.
- AVALON—Rev. R. V. Thomas, Mrs. G. M. Warbritton, Thelma Freeman, Mrs. Ernest Moore.
- BATTLEBORO—Rev. H. S. Yarborough, Mrs. Jim Edwards, Mrs. C. O. Edwards, Mrs. A. L. Pope.
- BENVENUE—Rev. R. C. Shearin, B. H. Saunders, W. A. Overton, Mrs. T. E. Rooks, Mrs. P. S. Rooks.
- COMMUNITY CENTER—Rev. Rudolph Evans.
- CORINTH—Mrs. H. A. Vick, Mrs. Willard Mitchell.
- DARLINGTON—Rev. Raymond Britton.
- DAWSON—Mrs. W. J. Partin, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Barnhill, Mrs. J. E. White, H. M. DeBerry, Mrs. O. C. Weeks, Mrs. J. L. Holliday, Mrs. J. E. White, Jr.
- EASONBURG—Rev. and Mrs. George Breedlove, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Proctor, Jr., L. R. Winstead, Mrs. F. B. Weaver.
- ELM GROVE—Rev. Charles O. Jenkins, Mrs. C. A. Cooper, Mrs. Nettie Tunnell, Mrs. Roy Cooper.
- ENFIELD—Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Mrs. M. E. Herman, Mrs. Nicholson Neville, Mrs. Ira D. Wood, Mrs. R. E. Shervette, Mrs. T. W. Gray, D. H. Holliday, Edwin Branch, J. L. Bellamy.
- GASTON—Rev. Daniel Jolly, Charlie L. Bryant, Grace Farmer, S. C. Vann.
- GETHSEMANE—Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Fox, E. T. Pittman, Mrs. A. W. Davenport, Mrs. Lena Blalock.
- HALIFAX—Rev. Yates W. Campbell, Mrs. Jack Whitehead.
- HICKORY—Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Alford.
- HOBGOOD—Rev. W. E. Goode, L. F. Whitehurst, G. E. Judge.
- JOHNSON TABERNACLE—Rev. Joe R. Puett, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Medley, Mrs. Belle Leonard, Mrs. F. T. West, Mrs. Wayne Tyson, Alma Daughtridge.
- MOMEYER—Rev. J. C. Brooks.
- MOUNT HERMON—Rev. and Mrs. Walter Hill, Miss Ida Ruth Winstead, Mrs. Earl Joyner.
- NASHVILLE—Rev. G. Durham Ipock, Mrs. Paul Batchelor, Mrs. M. C. Gulley.
- OAKDALE—Rev. Alfred F. Gibson, Mrs. Robert Perry, Mrs. J. H. Daughtridge, Mrs. V. B. Huggins, Mrs. Whitley.
- OAK LEVEL—Rev. and Mrs. Howard R. Cook, G. A. Taylor, Mrs. Charlie E. Vandiford, Mrs. W. H. Culpepper.

PROCTOR'S CHAPEL—Joe Edwards.

QUANKIE—Rev. Daniel Hux, Mrs. George Dixon, Mrs. Gladys Bryant, Mrs. J. F. Grigg, Mrs. O'Neal.

RED OAK—Rev. J. T. Garrett, Mrs. W. H. Reges, Mrs. J. A. Martin.
ROANOKE RAPIDS:

CALVARY—Rev. Otis Brady, Mrs. Charles Butts.

FIRST—Rev. and Mrs. Gordon L. Price, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. T. S. Brown, Mrs. L. S. Neal, Mrs. W. J. Adams.

ROSEMARL—Rev. B. M. White-Hurst, E. M. Daufhtry, L. D. Johnson, Mrs. George Pappendick, Mrs. J. W. Sanders, Mrs. B. J. Dunning, Mrs. A. O. George, Mrs. Frank Kendrick, Mrs. William Vaughan, Mrs. W. T. Pridgen, Mrs. W. H. Butler, Mrs. J. T. Watson, Mrs. O. Griffin, Mrs. H. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Bullock, Mrs. C. B. Bowman, Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, Mrs. James Barrett, Uriel Powell, Mrs. Y. A. Taylor, Mrs. C. C. Shell, Virgil E. McDowell, Mrs. P. A. Cook, Bryan Gurley, Anna Belle Crouch, Mrs. Norris Hannon, Phipps Dean, B. E. Lancaster, Mrs. A. G. Daniel, Mrs. Fred Cooper, W. C. Allsbrook, Mrs. Chester Allsbrook.

ROCKY MOUNT:

ARLINGTON STREET—Rev. H. C. Lowder, A. E. Bullock, Mrs. Raymond Pate, Jr., Mrs. R. C. Chason, W. V. Denton, Mrs. W. H. Peterson.

BLANDWOOD—Mrs. Emil Mialik, Mrs. B. A. Hunter, Judy Hunter, Mrs. J. B. Abernathy.

CALVARY—Rev. J. N. Stancil, Mrs. Jack Davis, Mrs. J. E. Brigman, Mrs. Ernest Shearin.

EDGEMONT—Rev. and Mrs. Billy T. Mobley, J. C. Whaley, Berry L. Anderson, Dixon V. Talbert.

FIRST—Rev. G. N. Cowan, Rev. and Mrs. John E. Lanier, Mrs. J. W. Stokes, Mrs. J. R. Chambliss, Mrs. T. L. Worsley, Mrs. T. B. Randall, Mrs. W. G. Robbins, Mrs. E. E. Mayo, Mrs. A. L. Stancil, Mrs. W. C. Winstead.

LAKE SIDE—Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. Viverette, Mrs. John C. Gray, Mrs. E. J. Meeks, Mrs. Edgar Joyner.

NORTH—Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Lanier, Mrs. Ed Leonard, Mrs. J. H. Orr, Mrs. J. K. Hardy.

OAK VIEW—Rev. F. L. Pollard.

SWELTON HEIGHTS—Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Howell, Mrs. Sherman Davis, Mrs. Marshall Pridgen.

SALEM—Rev. and Mrs. B. E. Berry, Jr., Mrs. W. E. Dozier, J. W. Greene.

SCOTLAND NECK—Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Allsbrook, Mrs. Sidney White, W. H. Adams, W. D. Harden, Mrs. Leland Kitchin, L. L. Cherry, Mrs. R. D. House, Mrs. Percy Partin, Mrs. John Ashford, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest G. Shearin.

SPRING HOPE—Rev. James H. Blackmore, Mrs. P. N. Collie, Mrs. Mrs. Van Weaver, J. A. Morgan.

STONEY CREEK—Rev. and Mrs. Calvin Rains, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Shearin, Mrs. W. B. Askew, R. S. Brown, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. George Ellen, Mabel Ellen, Mrs. John Griffin.

UNION—Mrs. Mavis Skinner, Mrs. Ira Johnson, Mrs. Mamie Davis.
WELDON:

CHOCKOYOTTE—Mrs. John V. Moore, Mrs. J. C. Morris.

FIRST—Rev. E. W. Glass, Mrs. J. R. Crew, Mrs. R. T. Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Shirley, Miss Pearle Harris.

WEST EDGECOMBE—Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Pegram, Mrs. Mayo Cherry, Mrs. W. Donley Joyner.

WHITAKERS—Curtis Crissman, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Weaver.

Fraternal Visitors: F. O. Mixon, Murfreesboro; James P. Morgan, Raleigh; Rev. and Mrs. Worth C. Grant, Missionaries to Japan; W. K. McGee, Winston Salem; James M. Hayes, Winston Salem; Annie Bowers, Littleton; Daisie Bowers, Littleton; D. L. Wilson, Littleton; Mrs. M. I. Pitt, Sr., Littleton; Miss Hilda Mayo, Rocky Mount.

First Meeting
of
NORTH ROANOKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
October 12, 1955

Held With
Rosemary Baptist Church
Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

9:45	WORSHIP	
	In Song	W. H. Adams
	In Scripture and Prayer	Marshall Whitehurst
9:55	ORGANIZATION and CONFIRMATION of ENFIELD MEETING	
10:10	CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS	J. H. Blackmore
10:40	MESSAGE	By Moderator
10:00	HYMN	
11:05	APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES	
11:10	MISSIONARY PROGRAM AND PERSONNEL	
	Distribution of Property	J. Felix Arnold
	The Program We Propose and	
	Presentation of Missionary	Marshall Whitehurst
	Offering	
11:35	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
11:40	SPECIAL MUSIC	
11:45	MESSAGE	James P. Morgan
12:15	ADJOURN FOR LUNCH	

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30	WORSHIP	
	In Song	W. H. Adams
	In Scripture and Prayer	Y. W. Campbell
1:40	PROPOSED BUDGET	
2:05	BUILDERS CLUB	Mrs. L. H. Kitchin
2:10	HYMN	
2:15	TEACHING AND TRAINING	
	In Sunday School	J. Felix Arnold
	In Training Union	Marvin Viverette
	Brotherhood	Virgil McDowell
	Evangelism	Ernest Glass
	W. M. U.	Mrs. Edgar Joyner
2:40	RECEPTION OF NEW CHURCHES	
2:50	REPORT OF COMMITTEES	
2:55	MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS	
3:05	HYMN	
3:10	ADJOURN WITH PRAYER	

Constitution

ARTICLE I. NAME. The name of this body is "North Roanoke Baptist Association."

ARTICLE 11. PURPOSE: It is the purpose of the Association to provide an Organization of cooperation for the Missionary Baptist churches affiliated with it, and to encourage them to faithfulness in every endeavor which we shall undertake together in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and to encourage them in the support of the cooperative program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP: The Association shall consist of messengers who are members of the affiliated churches as follows: (1) one messenger from each church and one additional messenger for each one hundred resident members or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of seven messengers, chosen by the affiliated churches; (2) the pastors; (3) the duly elected officers of the Association and the current Superintendent of the Associational W. M. U.

ARTICLE IV. AFFILIATED CHURCHES: Missionary Baptist Churches which have petitioned for membership and by vote of the Association are accounted to be in fellowship with the purpose and undertakings of this body, shall comprise the list of affiliated churches. The vote of the Association to extend fellowship, or to withdraw fellowship, shall be a two-thirds vote. Failure to report annually to the Association may raise the question of fellowship. Messengers from twenty churches shall constitute a quorum, and decisions of those present shall be considered the action of the Association.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS: The officers of the Association shall be elected annually at the fall session, and shall assume their duties at the close of the fall session and serve until the election of their successors. Officers shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Evangelism, (no one of whom may be eligible to serve in the same official capacity for more than five consecutive years); other officers shall be: the members of the Executive Committee, and the Associational Superintendent of the W. M. U.

ARTICLE VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The Executive Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Brotherhood President, Chairman of Evangelism, Chairman of the Builders' Club and the Associational Superintendent of the W. M. U. together with a pastor and a layman from each of the following counties: Edgecombe, Halifax and Nash, and three members at large. The Executive Committee is charged with the duty of executing the plans and decisions of the Association, including the associational program

of missions and extension. A full report of its work shall be presented at each fall session, together with plans and recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work of the Association. The Executive Committee shall act for the Association between sessions in conformity with the expressed decisions of the body, except that the allocation of disbursements of fund of the Builders' Club shall be under the direction and supervision of the Builders' Club Committee. A vacancy occurring between sessions may be filled by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: At each fall session, or not later than sixty days thereafter, the Executive Committee of the Association shall name a Nominating Committee, consisting of one messenger from each of the following counties: Edgecombe, Halifax and Nash, and two members at large whose duty it shall be to bring to the Association at its fall session nominations for all officers of the Association. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time these nominations are presented.

ARTICLE VIII. PROCEDURE: The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law, where not otherwise provided by this Constitution or the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT: This Constitution may be amended at any session of the Association by a two-thirds vote, provided: that the proposed amendment has been read to the Association at the previous session and referred to the committee on Constitution and By-Laws for clarification and correlation.

ARTICLE X. ADOPTION: This Constitution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption at the first fall session of the North Roanoke Baptist Association.

BY-LAWS

Article 1

MEETINGS

The sessions of the Association shall be held semi-annually in the spring and fall at such times and places as may be decided by the Association in its fall session.

Article 2

OPENING

Meetings of the Association shall be opened with a devotional service and closed with prayer.

Article 3

QUORUM

Representatives from twenty of the affiliated churches shall constitute a quorum.

Article 4

ORDER OF BUSINESS

An order of business shall be adopted at the beginning of each session which shall be changed only by a two-thirds vote of the body.

Article 5

CHURCH LETTER

Each affiliated church shall send to the fall session of the Association, on forms furnished by the clerk, a full report of the church work for the year ending September 30.

Article 6

MODERATOR AND VICE-MODERATOR

The Moderator or Vice-Moderator shall preside at all meetings of the Association. They shall be members of the Executive Committee and as opportunity may permit they, representing the fellowship of the entire Association, shall act as fraternal visitors to the churches throughout the year.

Article 7

CLERK

The Clerk shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Association and shall prepare and cause to be published and distributed, as directed by the Association or Executive Committee, minutes and statistics of the Association as soon as practical after adjournment of the fall session. He shall mail the necessary forms and letters to the clerks of the churches affiliated with the Association. Copies of the minutes shall be mailed to the officers, affiliated churches, to each institution participating in the cooperative program, and such other institutions and individuals as the Association or Executive Committee may direct.

Article 8

TREASURER

The Treasurer shall receive all funds of the Association, disburse them according to order, and present a written report of the same to the fall and spring sessions of the Association and additional reports at the request of the Executive Committee. He shall furnish the Chairman of the Executive and Finance Committees a report at least ten days before each regular scheduled meeting of the Executive Committee.

Article 9

AUDITOR

The Auditor shall examine the financial books and records of the Association and submit a detailed report covering his audit annually and at such time as may be required by the Executive Committee or the Association.

Article 10

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

The Sunday School Superintendent shall direct and supervise the Sunday School program of the Association under the supervision of the Executive Committee.

Article 11

TRAINING UNION DIRECTOR

The Training Union Director shall have charge of the direction and promotion of the Training Union program under the supervision of the Executive Committee.

Article 12

BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood program of the Association shall be under the direction of the Brotherhood President subject to the supervision of the Executive Committee.

Article 13

EVANGELISM

The program of Evangelism of the Association shall be under the direction of the Chairman of Evangelism subject to the supervision of the Executive Committee.

Article 14

REVENUE

The contributions of the affiliated churches for the purpose of defraying expenses of the Missionary program and other activities of the Association shall be on a resident member basis and in such amount as may be approved by the Association from year to year.

Article 15

SALARIES OF OFFICERS

Salaries of the Missionary or Missionaries of the Association as well as any other officer, shall be in such amount as may be provided for in the annual budget and approved by the Association.

Article 16

BUILDERS CLUB

The North Roanoke Baptist Builders' Club, whose purpose is that of aiding in the erection of buildings of Baptist churches and Sunday Schools and improving needy existing ones in this Association, shall be under the direction of a committee of seven members, three of whom shall be from the Executive Committee, and four at large, to be appointed annually by the Executive Committee and representative of the geographical area of the Association. This Committee shall direct and supervise the North Roanoke Baptist Builders' Club and report to the Executive Committee at its regular

meetings. No allocation of funds may be made by the Builders' Club Committee unless sufficient funds are on hand to pay all commitments in full and unless such action is taken by the committee in official session, with at least five members present.

Article 17

COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At its first session following the fall session of the Association the Executive Committee shall appoint a committee on Constitution and By-Laws, of which the first named member shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this Committee to receive, examine, and make recommendations to the Association in session on all proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.

Article 18

FINANCE COMMITTEE

At the first session following the fall session of the Association the Executive Committee shall appoint a committee on Finance, of which the first named member shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to supervise the financial program of the Association and to report to the Executive Committee from time to time. Also it shall be the duty of this committee to submit to the Executive Committee prior to each fall session of the Association a budget giving the estimated revenue for the ensuing year, as well as the itemized proposed expenses for the same period.

Article 19

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Program Committee shall be composed of all elective officers of the Association and shall plan and present the program, in printed form, for the sessions of the Association, which, upon the adoption by the Association, shall become its order of business.

Article 20

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEES

The Moderator, following the convening of each fall session of the Association, shall appoint the following committees: (1) Committee on time, place and preacher; (2) Committee on resolutions; (3) Committee on petitions; (4) Any other committees that may be authorized by the Association; (5) Any other committees that may be authorized by the Association.

Article 21

MISSIONARY PROGRAM

The Missionary and extension work of the Association, as well as the Missionary or Missionaries whom they shall employ and direct, shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee. The Mis-

sionary fund shall be kept and disbursed by the Treasurer as directed by the Executive Committee.

Article 22

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION

The minutes of all sessions of the Association shall be examined, approved and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before being printed. Said minutes shall be submitted to the spring session of the Association for consideration and approval.

Article 23

VISITORS

Visitors may be invited to participate in the deliberations of the Association without the privilege to vote.

Article 24

AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a majority vote, provided that the proposed amendment has been read to the Association at the previous session of the Association and has been referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws for clarification and correlation; such additions or amendments shall become effective immediately upon passage. No resolution adopted by this Association shall be constructed to become a part of these By-Laws.

Article 25

EFFECTIVE DATE

These By-Laws shall become effective immediately upon their adoption at the first fall session of the North Roanoke Baptist Association.

PROCEEDINGS
of the
NORTH ROANOKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ROSEMARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina

October 12, 1955

1. On Wednesday morning, October 12, 1955, the first Annual Session of the North Roanoke Baptist Association began in the Rosemary Baptist Church of Roanoke Rapids under the direction of the Moderator, W. D. Morris of Scotland Neck.

2. The music for the day was directed by W. H. Adams, Minister of Music of the First Baptist Church of Scotland Neck. The opening hymn was "O Zion Haste."

3. Rev. B. Marshall Whitehurst, host pastor, read Scripture and offered prayer.

4. Rev. J. Felix Arnold, chairman of the committee of five, moved that the Enfield meeting be confirmed. The motion carried.

5. The host pastor gave a cordial welcome.

6. The following visitors were recognized: W. K. McGee, North Carolina Baptist Hospital; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Biblical Recorder; Rev. J. M. Hayes, North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging; and Rev. and Mrs. Worth Grant, Sendai, Japan. Each made appropriate remarks.

7. It was reported that 215 messengers had registered and a motion was adopted that these, and others who would join the group later, constitute the organization to transact the business of the Association.

8. Rev J. H. Blackmore presented the constitution and by-laws. These were approved.

9. A motion was adopted that the printed program be recognized as the Order of Business for the Session.

10. The moderator brought a challenging and inspiring message.

11. A hymn, "Rescue the Perishing," was sung.

12. The moderator appointed the following committees:
Reception of new churches: Gordon L. Price, Ch., G. N. Cowan, Miss Hilda Mayo.

Resolutions: Rev. Otis Brady, Ch., Rev. Clyde Fox, Rev. Daniel Hux.

Representatives for Institutions: Rev. Felix Arnold, Ch., Rev. H. C. Lowder, Rev. R. C. Lanier.

Time, Place, and Preacher: John Lanier, Ch., Marvin Viverette, Mrs. R. T. Daniel.

13. The report on distribution of property was presented by Rev. J. Felix Arnold. Approved.

14. Rev B. Marshall Whitehurst presented the Program of Associational Missions for the Association and presented our Associational Missionary, Miss Hilda Mayo.

15. The New Associational Missionary made appropriate remarks. Announced an Associational School of Missions March 18-23, 1956. There was discussion from the floor praising Miss Mayo and expressing gratitude for her.

16. Rev. G. Durham Ipock presented a motion that a sum of between \$50.00 and \$100.00 be allocated to buy a gift for Rev. Grady Burgess, our former Associational Missionary. The motion carried.

17. The offering was called for by the moderator. The amount received was \$80.51.

18. The executive committee was directed to handle the matter of the gift for Mr. Burgess.

19. Dr. F. O. Mixon, president of Chowan College, was recognized and made appropriate remarks.

20. A solo was sung by a member of the choir of the host church.

21. Mr. James P. Morgan, State Training Union Secretary for North Carolina, brought the morning message.

22. The benediction and offering of thanks was offered by Rev. Worth Grant, Sendai, Japan.

Afternoon Session

23. The opening hymn was "Blessed Assurance."

24. Rev. Yates W. Campbell read a passage of Scripture and W. E. Goode led in prayer.

25. The proposed budget was presented by the Associational Treasurer, Mr. Forest G. Shearin. The motion to adopt the proposed budget as amended carried.

26. The motion was adopted that in the future the host church feed the Association and be subsidized up to \$150.00 for so doing.

27. The recommendations of the executive committee con-

cerning the proposed budget were adopted.

28. Mrs. L. H. Kitchen gave the report of the North Roanoke Baptist Builders Club. The report with the following recommendations was adopted:

1. Four calls per year be made.
2. A call may be made when the balance in the treasury is up to \$250.00.
3. The first Sunday in November be suggested as Builders Club Day.

29. A hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," was sung.

30. The following presented plans and challenges concerning our teaching and training programs for the coming year:

- (1) Sunday School—J. Felix Arnold
- (2) Training Union—Marvin Viverette
- (3) Brotherhood—Virgil McDowell
- (4) Evangelism—E. W. Glass
- (5) W. M. U.—Mrs. Edgar Joyner

31. The following newly organized churches were received:

- (1) Lakeside
- (2) Easonburg
- (3) Blandwood
- (4) Benvenue

32. The committee on Time, Place, and Preacher made the following report which was adopted:

Spring—Stoney Creek Church, Tuesday, April 17

Rev. Worth Grant, preacher.

Fall—First Church, Roanoke Rapids, Tuesday, October 16

Rev. Douglas Branch, preacher.

33. The committee on Institutional Representatives made the following report which was adopted:

- (1) Orphanage—Rev. Don Cook, Whitakers.
- (2) Home for the Aging—Rev. R. C. Shearin, Benvenue Baptist Church, Rocky Mount.
- (3) Christian Education—Rev. G. D. Ipock, Nashville.
- (4) Hospital—Mrs. Wayne Tyson, R.F.D., Rocky Mount.
- (5) Biblical Recorder—Rev. J. H. Blackmore, Spring Hope.

34. Rev. Otis Brady made the report of the committee on Resolutions which was adopted.

35. Rev. J. H. Blackmore presented the following amendments to the constitution:

Article VI. Amends the sentence: "The Executive Committee is charged with the duty of executing the plans and decisions of the Association, including the associational program of missions and extension. *Omit—"and the employment and direction of the Associational Missionaries."*

Article VII. Add: Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time these nominations are presented.

By-Laws, Article 20, Associational Committees. Add: Committee on Institutions.

These were referred to the committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

36. A hymn, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," was sung.

37. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. Gordon L. Price.

W. D. Morris, Moderator

E. W. Glass, Clerk



Resolutions

To the messengers, visitors and friends of the North Roanoke Association, assembled in their First Session,
Greetings:

Whereas, in the providence of Almighty God we have been permitted to gather in this the first session of the North Roanoke Baptist Association: therefore be it resolved that by the power of His Spirit we renew our vows of loyalty to Him that we may be used of Him in extending His Kingdom to the ends of the earth.

Whereas, the Rosemary Baptist Church has graciously taken care of our temporal needs be it resolved that we hereby express our sincere gratitude for their fine Christian hospitality.

Whereas the program has been informative, inspiring and challenging be it resolved that we express our appreciation to those taking part on it.

Whereas, Miss Hilda Mayo has accepted the position of Associational Missionary, be it resolved that we pledge to her our cooperation and support in building a mission minded association.

Whereas, many of our pastors and laymen spent many hours in preparation in order to bring to us an effective foundation for the forming of our new association, be it resolved that we hereby inform them of our deepest gratitude for their labors of love.

Whereas, the greatest degree of success in our new associational work depends upon the cooperation, enlistment and use of all the churches in our mutual task, be it resolved that we pledge with vision to evangelize, study and train.

Respectfully submitted,

Otis W. Brady, Chairman

Clyde L. Fox

Daniel Hux

Training Union

We now have 53 churches in the North Roanoke Association and 40 Training Unions as of today. Benvenue, less than a year old and with 71 church members, organized a Training Union two weeks ago with 69 enrolled last Sunday night. One of the 13 churches without a Training Union has a membership of almost 400.

The ultimate goal of our Associational Training Union is to have a Standard Training Union in every Baptist church. In order to reach this goal, it will require most of our churches to change their way of filling Training Union offices. Training Union is charged with the responsibility of training church people in church membership. Included in this is training Sunday School workers and other leaders in every phase of church work. This job cannot be done with 'left-overs'. After every other officer within the church has been selected, then what is left—'Lay them to rest in Training Union'! This program of training *must* be done by the finest workers your church has to offer. When this is done, your Training Union Director becomes a friend to every department head in your church. When the Sunday School Superintendent needs a new teacher or laborer, the Training Union director should be able to furnish several. The same is true in every department within the church. Training Union is where every member of the church discovers himself and finds a place of service. Soul-winning is a vital part of Training Union since our enrollment is made up of church members.

Pastors who dislike preaching to empty pews on Sunday night, please take note! Training Union is the best evening-service builder we have. One of the requirements of the eight point record system is that of attendance of the evening service. By building the evening services it makes possible part-time churches becoming full-time churches.

Now, what you would like to know is, how to do it? You pastors and laymen here today, go home and start talking Training Union. If you do not know anything about it, invite someone who does, and let them do the talking. This will put your folks to thinking. Invite some one again, if needed, to get the plans rolling. Select the most capable and faithful leader you have and let the church vote on him. From this point it might be advisable to call in Associational assistance unless there is experienced help close by. Some nearby church with an active training union could be of great assistance. It is just as easy to get started right as it is to start wrong. Training Union has a definite job to do! That job cannot be done with haphazard use of different materials and programs. Follow closely the outlined plans in our Training Union quarterlies and other Training Union materials.

Enthusiasm must be created for the work. Have as many as possible to attend the County and Associational meetings. Efforts are made to get the best speakers and leaders possible for these occa-

sions. Get as many folks as possible from your church to attend the Training Union assemblies at Caswell, Fruitland or our South-wide Assembly at Ridgcrest. Make a special note on your calendar of activities right now for our big "M" Night meeting on December 5 here in the Rosemary Church. Harvey T. Gibson, our former State Training Union Secretary now Director of Administration for Training Union work for the Southern Baptist Convention will be our speaker. This will be an excellent opportunity to renew old acquaintance and acquire inspiration and enthusiasm.

We are expecting 650 for this "M" night meeting and it will be up to you people here today to pass the word around and start making plans to come. Please give this meeting your full support by not planning other events the same night and plan to be here yourself and bring a car-load.

Will we make the North Roanoke Training Union the finest in the State? The answer is up to you!

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin E. Viverette
Director

Message from Brotherhood President

Yesterday, October 11, I made my report to the final Roanoke Baptist Association meeting. At which time I tried to cover some of the actual facts that your Brotherhood accomplished during the past year, 1955.

At present our Northern District has 48 churches with 23 Brotherhoods, which is a fine start. Most of our Brotherhoods are fairly new, from 1 to 5 years old. Therefore, we all have a lot to learn and profit therefrom. Some of our Brotherhoods have not been functioning very well, for these I say let's get down to work, back up our churches and pastors and show them that we mean business.

For those who do not have a Brotherhood in your church, you will never know what it can do until you organize and try it. Therefore, get your pastor, deacons and laymen together, talk it over.

Whether you have a Brotherhood or not, maybe my following observations can be of value, and make you Brotherhood conscious.

First, what is a Brotherhood? Well, a Brotherhood in a local Baptist church is a group of men seventeen years old and above, banded together for the purpose of promoting the kingdom of Christ through the church and the denomination.

Therefore, the Brotherhood is a denominational agency, dealing exclusively with men of the church for the exclusive purpose of giving the men an opportunity to have a part in the whole program of the church. So you can see how a program can be made to go forward with a group of men back of it and helping the pastor who is their leader.

Let us all remember that back in the early days the Bible tells

us about the disciples of "Christ." They were men, all men working for Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

The women of the church are always willing to do their part and they do. But it is not intended for them to do the men's job.

Please do not confuse a men's Brotherhood with a social church club. If your Brotherhood is working as a social club, you better get on the right track and go to work. No pastor will get very much help or get very far with just an eating Brotherhood.

If you have a social clique in your church, then do some horse trading for a live Brotherhood.

Back up your pastor and work for the church, not just a few.

I believe your pastor will be lots less reluctant and more enthused over the idea of organizing a Brotherhood if you will live up to the ideals of the Brotherhood. Then, he will dismiss the dreaded fear of this social band that is so easy to wind up with.

A live Brotherhood in your church will be doing a lot of things, such as:

(1) Backing the pastor: Giving him the best helpers in the world.

(2) Taking an active part in "Evangelism:" Help with visitations in connection with revivals.

(3) Taking the leading roll on "Layman's Day:" It is a day to recognize, honor, challenge and use men.

(4) Sponsor R. A.'s (Royal Ambassadors): The W. M. S. is turning the sponsorship of R. A.'s over to the Brotherhoods. If your church has a Brotherhood, all is well and good. But, if your church does not have a Brotherhood, what are you going to do? A Brotherhood can do a much better job than just a group of volunteer laymen.

So with the beginning of a new district let us all turn over a new leaf and work for a successful Brotherhood for the year that is ahead of us.

Respectfully submitted,
Virgil E. McDowell, Sr.
North Roanoke Baptist Asso.
Brotherhood President

Proposed Budget

I ESTIMATED REVENUE:

1. Mission Fund from churches @ 80¢ per Resident Member	\$9,000.00
2. From South Roanoke Association (1st payment on trailer)	250.00
Total Estimated Revenue	\$9,250.00

II. ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:

1. Administration:

(1) Missionary's Salary	\$3,600.00
(2) Retirement	144.00
(3) Car Allowance, 7¢ per mile	1,000.00
(4) Convention Expenses (Missionary)	200.00
(5) Rent, Missionary's Home	750.00
(To be set aside for fund to buy home for missionary)	
(6) Office Expenses	400.00
(7) Summer Help	500.00

Total Administrative	\$7,210.00
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2. Promotional:

(1) Sunday School	\$ 100.00
(2) Training Union	75.00
(3) Brotherhood	40.00
(4) Moderator's Expenses	60.00
(5) Builder's Club	150.00
(6) Chairman of Evangelism Exp.	75.00

Total Promotional	500.00
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3. Minutes and Miscellaneous:

(1) Clerk's Remuneration	\$ 100.00
(2) Printing Minutes	450.00
(3) Treasurer's Remuneration	100.00
(4) Contingency	250.00

Total Miscellaneous	900.00
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4. Reserve for New Equipment	640.00
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Total Estimated Expenditures	\$9,250.00
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We recommend to the new Association that the churches be asked to contribute to the Associational Missions Program in the amount of 80¢ per resident member per annum.

2. We recommend further that the expense of printing the Associational Minutes be paid out of the General Associational Funds, as provided above, and that the churches no longer be asked to contribute separately for the printed Minutes. And we recommend also that the number of copies of the printed Minutes be eight for each Church up to 200 resident members, and three additional copies for each additional 100 resident members, the total number of copies for any church not to exceed fifty.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee of Five